



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 09/977,463  
Art Unit: 3728  
Examiner: Anthony D. Stashick  
Inventor: W. C. Johnson, Jr.  
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For: BOOT WITH OVERSIZED TOE BOX FOR THERMAL INSULATION  
Attorney Docket No.: 2424900-157498

The Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION**

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Communication mailed January 24, 2006.

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